



**United States Department of Agriculture
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Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report**



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Week Ending August 9, 2015

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 5.8 day suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 9, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 16 percent very short, 25 percent short, 50 percent adequate, and 9 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 15 percent very short, 23 percent short, 52 percent adequate, and 10 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 66.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 77.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Ashdown. Highs ranged from 85.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 100.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Nashville. The precipitation for the week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the northeast region of the state with an average of 2.50 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 9, 2015

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dough	99	96	97	97
Corn, dent	91	81	87	90
Corn, mature	45	26	48	52
Corn, harvested	2	NA	NA	NA
Cotton, setting bolls	97	94	97	99
Cotton, open bolls	7	1	2	4
Peanuts, pegging	97	93	NA	NA
Rice, headed	76	65	63	74
Rice, mature	14	5	0	8
Sorghum, headed	96	93	99	98
Sorghum, coloring	75	64	69	73
Sorghum, mature	18	7	11	23
Soybeans, blooming	93	88	90	92
Soybeans, setting pods	77	70	78	76
Soybeans, turning color	14	4	5	6

Crop condition for week ending August 9, 2015

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	3	25	48	18
Cotton	4	2	16	44	34
Hay, alfalfa	1	6	62	29	2
Hay, other	3	17	43	31	6
Livestock	2	2	31	56	9
Pasture	3	12	34	40	11
Peanuts	2	4	55	37	2
Rice	3	4	22	52	19
Sorghum	2	3	18	54	23
Soybeans	5	7	26	49	13

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Corn and grain sorghum are approaching maturity with harvest 2-3 weeks out. Many rice fields are starting to head and soybeans to set pods. Pest pressure is light. Continued weekly rains have limited irrigation needed this season.”

-Allen Davis, Greene County

“Scouting for midge and aphids in milo. Scouting for sheath blight in rice. Scouting for frogeye leaf spot in soybeans.”

-Hank Chaney, Faulkner County

“Many fields have been treated for worms as the moth flight has been continuous. Desiccants were applied to mature grain sorghum fields with harvest expected to start this week. Many fields of sorghum were treated for sugarcane aphids. Growers and consultants did a fantastic job of managing this pest, and may get by with one treatment. Crittenden County received timely rains in July that delayed irrigation.”

-Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“It is very, very dry. Farmers are on the verge of having to feed hay.”

-Dana Stringfellow, Sevier County

“Drought conditions in many pastures and hay fields. A few fall armyworms, but not at treatment level. Bermudagrass fields showing significant stem maggot damage.”

-Les Walz, Cleveland County

Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 9, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
Northwest										
Kingston	85.4	66.6	76.0	78.6	-2.6	1.16	2	NA	3.58	NA
Lead Hill	87.0	68.0	77.5	77.2	0.3	1.00	3	0.25	3.28	0.21
Winslow	87.1	72.4	79.8	NA	NA	1.35	1	NA	3.49	NA
Extreme/Average	86.5	69.0	77.8	77.9	-1.2	1.17	3	0.25	3.45	0.21
North Central										
Calico Rock	87.0	66.7	76.9	77.8	-1.0	1.49	3	0.74	4.28	1.17
Evening Shade	90.0	67.0	78.5	80.3	-1.9	3.06	4	2.47	4.50	1.21
Gilbert	90.9	68.6	79.7	79.6	0.2	0.64	2	-0.06	1.24	-1.64
Mammoth Spring	88.1	68.0	78.1	77.9	0.1	2.19	3	1.54	6.11	3.09
Mountain Home	88.3	70.0	79.1	79.6	-0.4	1.97	2	1.28	4.31	1.40
Mountain View	92.9	71.0	81.9	79.8	2.1	1.08	3	0.09	4.40	0.88
Extreme/Average	89.5	68.5	79.0	79.2	-0.1	1.74	4	1.01	4.14	1.02
Northeast										
Corning	88.7	71.3	80.0	80.2	-0.2	1.18	2	0.46	2.79	-0.63
Jonesboro	89.1	69.3	79.2	80.3	-1.1	3.35	1	2.56	6.81	3.69
Keiser	91.2	72.6	81.9	81.4	0.5	2.34	2	1.88	4.33	1.20
Newport	89.6	71.1	80.4	81.0	-0.7	3.84	3	3.28	9.78	6.62
Pocahontas	90.4	69.9	80.1	79.5	0.6	2.48	3	1.76	4.09	1.06
Searcy	95.4	73.3	84.4	81.4	3.0	1.78	3	1.12	2.94	-0.13
Extreme/Average	90.7	71.2	81.0	80.6	0.4	2.50	3	1.84	5.12	1.97
West Central										
Dardanelle	96.3	71.7	84.0	82.1	1.9	2.37	2	NA	4.52	NA
Mena	97.1	69.6	83.4	79.1	4.3	0.08	2	-0.62	0.23	-3.78
Subiaco	95.7	71.7	83.7	81.2	2.4	1.14	2	0.44	1.58	-1.29
Waldron	98.9	70.1	84.5	79.9	4.6	0.18	2	-0.51	0.19	-2.68
Extreme/Average	97.0	70.8	83.9	80.6	3.3	0.94	2	-0.23	1.63	-2.58
Central										
Alum Fork	94.6	71.6	83.1	79.9	3.2	1.14	1	0.40	3.51	0.07
Cabot	97.7	70.6	84.1	81.2	3.0	1.24	1	0.58	1.59	-0.79
Conway	98.0	72.0	85.0	81.4	3.6	0.60	3	-0.12	0.96	-1.84
Hot Springs	97.4	74.9	86.1	82.7	3.5	0.20	1	-0.54	0.25	-3.55
Morrilton	97.0	71.0	84.0	80.8	3.2	1.37	2	0.78	3.08	0.30
Extreme/Average	96.9	72.0	84.5	81.2	3.3	0.91	3	0.22	1.88	-1.16
East Central										
Brinkley	95.0	73.6	84.3	80.9	3.4	1.20	1	0.62	3.05	0.24
Des Arc	94.7	74.3	84.5	82.3	2.2	0.63	1	0.04	2.40	-0.31
Keo	94.4	74.0	84.2	81.1	3.1	0.05	1	-0.45	1.35	-1.31
Stuttgart	95.2	75.4	85.3	81.4	3.9	0.51	2	0.04	0.84	-1.91
West Memphis	91.7	72.9	82.3	81.1	1.1	2.68	4	1.96	5.03	2.25
Extreme/Average	94.2	74.0	84.1	81.3	2.8	1.01	4	0.44	2.53	-0.21
Southwest										
Ashdown	100.0	77.0	88.5	NA	NA	0.00	0	-0.44	0.00	-2.59
Murfreesboro	97.8	70.8	84.3	79.5	4.8	0.00	0	-0.58	0.60	-2.84
Nashville	100.3	73.0	86.6	82.9	3.7	0.00	0	-0.72	0.04	-3.25
Extreme/Average	99.4	73.6	86.5	81.2	4.3	0.00	0	-0.58	0.21	-2.89
South Central										
Camden	100.0	75.4	87.7	81.9	5.8	0.00	0	-0.69	0.00	-2.89
Fordyce	98.1	73.6	85.9	80.3	5.6	0.00	0	-0.74	0.00	-3.24
Magnolia	100.2	72.0	86.1	81.6	4.5	0.00	0	-0.42	0.00	-1.60
Extreme/Average	99.4	73.7	86.6	81.3	5.3	0.00	0	-0.62	0.00	-2.58
Southeast										
Crossett	98.4	72.9	85.6	81.0	4.6	0.00	0	-0.81	0.25	-3.08
Eudora	99.6	75.9	87.7	83.4	4.4	0.00	0	-0.82	0.25	-3.08
Extreme/Average	99.0	74.4	86.7	82.2	4.5	0.00	0	-0.81	0.25	-3.08
State	94.7	72.0	83.3	80.6	2.5	0.98	2	0.23	2.22	-0.94

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.